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The TNA's 47th Annual State coin show will be held in Fort Worth, Texas at the Will Rogers Complex on May 13, 14 and 15, 2005. This is the same location as the last four years. Additional details will be announced in the near future; but in the meantime, mark your calendars to attend.

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Associate \$ 6 00  
Junior \$ 8 00

# TREASURER'S REPORT

by: Debbie Williams

## Balance Sheet--As of January 2, 2005

### Current Assets

#### Checking/Savings

FTB—Money Market	52,995.46
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#### First Texas Bank (FTB)

Youth Activities Fund	1,564.38
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Memorial Library Fund	1,707.58
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ANA Junior Seminar Fund	1,000.00
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Coin's for A's	1,867.46
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First Texas Bank (FTB)-other	<u>6,685.98</u>
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Total First Texas Bank (FTB)	<u>12,825.40</u>
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Total Checking/Savings	65,820.86
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#### Accounts Receivable

Lost Mail Deposit	<u>51.00</u>
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Total Accounts Receivable	51.00
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#### Other Current Assets

CD—Lone Star Capital Bank	50,000.00
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CD—Life Memberships-CLNB	<u>30,000.00</u>
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Total Other Current Assets	<u>80,000.00</u>
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Total Current Assets	<u>145,871.86</u>
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<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u>145,871.86</u></b>
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### LIABILITIES & EQUITY

#### Equity

Fund Balance	155,543.29
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Net Income	<u>-9,671.43</u>
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Total Equity	<u>145,871.86</u>
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b><u>145,871.86</u></b>
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# A Few Words from the Editor

By Benny Bolin, NLG

## Another Year is Upon us!

Well, another year has come and gone and a new one is upon us. Is it just me, or do the years seem to go by faster now—or am I just getting older? As we enter this new year, I hope you all had a great holiday season and remembered those who are less fortunate than us and those who are sacrificing so much fighting for our freedom so that we can collect without fear; so that we can assemble as coin clubs without fear and so we can have an economic system that allows us to spend and collect.

I also hope that in your new year's resolutions, that you made one to do more for the hobby. A turn of an old saying could say "*Ask not what TNA can do for you, but ask what you can do for TNA!*" Resolve to be involved if you have not already done so! This year does not show any sign of slowing down from our rabid pace of the past year. Already, we have another new quarter coming out, more collectors joining us, and we have some great sales done already and more to come. It is proving to be a wonderful time to be in our hobby. I have to admit that I did buy into the extreme commercial side and purchased two of the Westward Ho sets, the set of two nickels, the dollar and the token. I was very lucky and was able to order on the internet the first day and received them less than ten days later. They are very nice and are already proving to be quite an investment. I don't usually buy for investment, but just took a chance.

I also would like to encourage you to start thinking about joining us at the TNA show in May. This show has just been getting every year. Try to be involved there as well. Develop and place an exhibit, volunteer, donate to the youth auction or just show up and support the TNA. It is well worth your time!

If you would like to contribute to the TNA News (your newsletter), just send your submission to me by the following deadlines.

March/April Issue

March 4, 2005

May/June Issue

May 5, 2005

July/August Issue

July 7, 2005

Sept/Oct Issue

Sept 9, 2005

# **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

## **SUBMITTED BY HAL CHERRY**

### **January and February, 2005**

TNA Officers and Governors will be elected next Spring for the upcoming two years. Information about the election is elsewhere in this *TNA News*. Remember, only members who have paid their dues by March 31, 2005 are eligible to vote.

There were no new members who joined in September and October, 2004.

The following have applied for membership. If no written objections are received from the membership, they will become TNA members on 3/1/05:

**J-6602** – Gretchen Stoker – proposed by Gary Hill

**R-6603** – Greg Standley – proposed by Frank Galindo

**R-6604** – John Watson – proposed by Barbara Williams

**ATTENTION LIFE MEMBERS:** If you have misplaced your permanent life membership card, you can obtain a replacement for \$6.00. Please advise the Secretary's office if you need a new card.

**VIP AWARD LEADERS** for 2004 were: Gary Hill, Paul Garner, Frank Galindo, and Ginger Pike.

**PLEASE NOTE:** TNA News Letter mailing labels are generated from the Secretary's membership data base so if you have an address change, please send this information directly to the Secretary's office! Notifying the Editor only delays the process as he must resend the information on to the Secretary for updating the records and data base.

**MEMBERSHIP AGE RESTRICTIONS REMOVED:** At the December 13, 2003 Board Meeting, the By-Laws were changed to remove any minimum age restrictions from both the Junior Member and Life Member categories. The previous minimum age had been nine years.

## **NEW DISTRICT 4 GOVERNOR**

Lane Brunner who served as Governor of District 4, which encompasses the Austin area, recently accepted a position in the Educational Department of the ANA and moved to their location in Colorado Springs, Colorado. At the November 20, 2004 Board Meeting, in line with the by-laws, Lane was replaced as District 4 Governor by Mike Egger of Lago Vista, Texas who will serve out the term of office. Congratulations to Mike on becoming a TNA Governor and best wishes to Lane in his new position with the ANA.

## 2005 TNA DUES ARE DUE

If your 2005 dues have not previously been paid, by now you should have received a dues notice from the Secretary's Office. If for some reason the dues notice was not delivered to you, please renew your TNA membership based on the information below.

According to the TNA By-Laws, the deadline for paying each year's dues is by March 31<sup>st</sup> of the year. 2005 is also an election year for officers and governors and to be eligible to vote, membership dues must be received by March 31, 2005. Dues for Regular Members are \$17.00/year, Associate Members \$6.00/year and Junior Members \$8.00/year. Dues are payable to the Secretary's Office, Attention: Hal Cherry, TNA Secretary, P.O. Box 852165, Richardson, Tx 75085-2165 – phone number: 972/234-6996 – e-mail address: [halcherry@msn.com](mailto:halcherry@msn.com).

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# 2005 TNA ELECTION PROCEDURES

*The mailing date and election date given in the November/December TNA News was modified to the dates shown below by TNA Board action on November 20, 2004.*

Official ballots will be mailed to the membership on April 1, <sup>2005</sup>. Only TNA members will receive ballots and payment of dues 2005 dues by March 31, 2005 is a requirement for membership. Ballots must be received by the TNA Secretary's office by April 25, 2005 in order to be counted in the election. There is no provision for a run off election in the TNA By-Laws so that in the event of multiple candidates for the same office, the candidate receiving the most votes will be declared the winner. In the event of a tie vote for any office, the winning candidate will be chosen by the outgoing Board of Directors. The results of the election will be announced at the Annual Membership Meeting held in conjunction with the Annual Convention in May.

The By-Laws also provide for write-in candidates for the five state offices only. Write-in nominations may be made in writing by any member and accompanied by the written consent of the write-in candidate must be filed with the Secretary at least 15 days prior to the date of the election. This date is April 10, 2005 as the date of the election is defined as the final date for receiving ballots which is April 25, 2005. The written nomination and consent may be sent by regular mail or e-mail. This section is to provide for nominations received after the December 31<sup>st</sup> deadline. The write-in candidates' names will not be listed on the official ballots.

## NOMINATIONS FOR UPCOMING TNA ELECTIONS

The following members have been nominated for TNA Officers and will be listed the ballot which will be mailed on April 1, 2005. Only TNA members will receive ballots and payment of 2005 dues by March 31, 2005 is a requirement for membership.

*The following biographical information was provided by the candidates:*

**For President – Joe Olson:** A resident of Waco, Joe is current TNA President and has also served two other terms in this role. He is a Past Treasurer, Past Second Vice President, and Past Governor of the TNA and a winner of the Lewis M. Reagan Award. He also served as President of the Waco Coin Club for five years. Joe is a licensed Attorney and Certified Public Accountant, heading his own firm since 1984, and is also a Deacon in the Park Lane Drive Baptist Church in Waco.

**For First Vice President – Jim Bevill:** A resident of Houston, Jim is currently TNA District VI Governor and served for five years as President of

the Bellaire Coin Club. He is a member of the ANA, the Bellaire Coin Club, the Pasadena Coin Club and the Greater Houston Coin Club and serves as the ANA Club Representative for Houston. Jim is a frequent lecturer on numismatic topics and a graduate of ANA Summer Seminar Courses on grading and U.S. type coins. A Magna Cum Laud Finance graduate of the University of Houston, Jim is a First Vice President with the Merrill Lynch Private Client Group. Jim's interest is in enhancing the annual TNA Coin Show by increasing show attendance through raising the awareness of the show and the hobby in mainstream media outlets. Promoting the Coins for A's Program, Youth Auctions, Merit Badge Clinics and numismatic education and outreach programs throughout the state are areas Jim wants to emphasize.

**For Second Vice President – Paul Garner:** A resident of Waco and a member of the TNA since 1968, Paul is currently Governor of Districts XVI and XVII and Past Governor of District V. He is a Life Member of the ANA, TNA, Philippine Numismatic and Antiquarian Association, and the following state and other numismatic associations: Arkansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Kansas, and Central States. The author of *Silver Coins of the World* and *Chinese Chop Marks and Their Relationship to the Napoleonic Wars*, Paul is retired from the U.S. Air Force and has a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of San Francisco. During the time he has been a TNA member, Paul has donated over \$30,000 to TNA in cash and materials, served as District Governor or on assorted committees over the past 36 years, is a major contributor to the Annual Youth Auction, and has fought to eliminate age limit restrictions on TNA membership so any young numismatist can join the TNA and for the adoption of a strong code of ethics for dealers and members.

**For Second Vice President – Ginger Pike:** A resident of Plano, Ginger is currently the Second Vice President of the TNA. Ginger served as TNA Bourse Chairman for two years and has worked with the latest TNA Bourse Chairman in helping sign up dealers for the next TNA Show. Having worked nationwide setting up coin shows since 1985, she knows a wide variety of dealers from many states. Ginger produces four yearly shows in Grapevine and this public contact gives her the opportunity to promote TNA membership and to collect donations for the Youth Auction. She is willing to help wherever needed and feels very strongly about the TNA, the youth in its future and promoting numismatic collecting.

**For Second Vice President – Debbie Williams:** A resident of Roanoke, Debbie is currently the TNA Treasurer. In the past Debbie has been President, Vice President and Treasurer of the Mid-Cities Coin Club and is also a member of the ANA, CONECA, WIN, the Dallas Coin Club and the Fort Worth Coin Club. She currently serves as the District Delegate for the ANA along with volunteering at local coin shows and numismatic events. Employed with Edward Jones Investments as a Branch Office Administrator.

Debbie has an Associate Degree in Business Management and became interested in collecting coins in the 1980s while working as a bank teller.

**For Secretary – Hal Cherry:** A resident of Richardson, Hal is the current TNA Secretary and also served as a TNA Governor. As a member of the Dallas Coin Club, Hal has served as President, Board Member, Secretary and Newsletter Editor. He is also a member of the Northeast Tarrant County Coin Club, the Mid-Cities Coin Club, the Paper Money Collectors Society, the Colonial Coin Collectors Club and the ANA. His numismatic service includes presenting educational programs, presentations to youth groups, and he is particularly interested in the educational aspects of the TNA and attracting youth to numismatics. Hal began collecting coins as a Cub Scout and has collected most types of numismatic material at one time or another. He is active in several state historical associations having served as President or Board Member. He retired from the insurance industry with 30 years in management and has a Business Degree UT.

**For Treasurer – Stewart Huckaby:** A resident of Richardson, Stewart is a long time collector and has been an active member of coin clubs since 1974. He is Vice President of the Dallas Coin Club and Vice President of Numismatics International Coin Club and was previously Secretary of the Diablo Numismatic Society in California. He is a member of the Fort Worth Coin Club, Mid-Cities Coin Club, Northeast Tarrant County Coin Club, Delta Coin Club in California, Vallejo Numismatic Society in California, The So-Called Dollar Collectors Club and the ANA. Employed at Heritage Galleries, his duties range from editing the *Numismatic E-Newsletter* to providing web site support to working with Heritage's Coin Club Outreach Project.

**For Treasurer – Ray Leggett:** A resident of Waco, Ray is a 30 year member of the Waco Coin Club and is currently their Treasurer. He has also been a committee member and has been active in the Waco Coin Club Show for several years. A Lions Club member and a former Rotarian, Ray is a retired Metropolitan Life Insurance Company Agent.

**For District I Governor – Russell Prinzinger:** A resident of Fort Worth, Russell is the incumbent Governor. A founding member of the Northeast Tarrant Coin Club, Russell is also a member of the Fort Worth Coin Club and the Mid-Cities Coin Club. For the past several years, Russell has served as organizer and Chairman of the Youth Auction held at the annual TNA Show and Convention.

**For District II Governor – Bill Welsh:** A resident of Stanton, Bill is the incumbent Governor. He is member of Permian Basin Coin Club. He started collecting coins in 1964 at age 10 and attending local coin shows and club meetings while in high school. He started as a part time coin dealer while in college and opened a coin shop in Pueblo, Colorado in 1979. Entering the

ministry in 1985, he sold the coin store but continued to buy, sell and trade coins as a hobby. While working full time as a preacher and high school teacher, Bill also operated a coin store in Lamesa, Texas in the 1990s and currently has coins for sale at several outlets in west Texas. A veteran of the U.S. Army, he has a Bachelors Degree in History, and also a Master of Ministries and a Doctor of Ministries Degree in Bible History. In the courses he teaches, he incorporates the use of both ancient and modern coins to enhance and enthuse his students.

**For District III Governor – no nomination.**

**For District IV Governor – Mike Egger:** A resident of Lago Vista, Mike is the incumbent Governor. He is a Life Member of the TNA and the ANA and a member of the Williamson County Club, the Capital City Coin Club, the Bellaire Coin Club and a Vietnam era Vet. He is currently a home builder in the Austin area and owner of MAD COINS.

**For District V Governor – Lawrence Herrera:** A resident of Dallas, Lawrence is the incumbent Governor. A member of the Dallas Coin Club, having served as the Secretary/Treasurer, Vice President, President and Board Member, Lawrence is also a member of the Mid-Cities Coin Club and the Northeast Tarrant County Coin Club and has worked as a volunteer at both the Dallas and TNA Coin Shows. A current collector of U.S. type coins, he collected Buffalo Nickels and Mercury Dimes in his pre-teen years. He became interested in collecting coins again in 1996 when he stopped by a coin shop for a birthday present for a coin collecting friend. He has a Bachelor of Arts from Rice University and a Doctor of Jurisprudence from the University of Texas and has a solo practice representing individuals in consumer bankruptcies.

**For District VI Governor – Ed Stevens:** A resident of Houston, Ed is currently Secretary of the Bellaire Coin Club, a Past President of the Pasadena Coin Club and member of the Greater Houston Coin Club. He has been a collector since age 11 and his current interests are in pre-1900 U.S. type coins, early Texas notes, and large size federal currency. Ed is retired from a major oil company after 25 years of service and sees his service to the TNA as an opportunity to serve the numismatic community in developing continuing programs that will benefit both collectors and non-collectors.

**For District VII Governor – Frank Galindo:** A resident of San Antonio, Frank has been District Governor for the past 22 years. He is an Honorary Life Member of the TNA, a Life Member of the Society of Ration Token Collectors, the Gateway Coin Club and a member of Numismatics International and the ANA. Frank is currently the President and Newsletter Editor for the Gateway Coin Club and a Past President and Past Assistant Treasurer for the Society of Ration Token Collectors. Awards and honors he has received down through the years from the TNA include the Lewis M.

Reagan Memorial Award, Outstanding TNA Governor Award (twice), VIP Award, Honorary Life Membership, Mac Kennedy Goodwill Ambassador Award, the Mary MacFadden VIP Award, Best Club Newsletter Award, and TNA Hall of Fame. Numerous awards have been received from other numismatic organizations including the Numismatic Ambassador Award from *Numismatic News*. Frank has originated several special programs aimed at young numismatists. Frank also serves as the TNA's Medals Officer, designing our annual medals as well as the current TNA logo.

**For District VIII Governor – David A. Burke:** A resident of Corpus Christi, David is the incumbent Governor and also serves as the Webmaster and Technology Chairman. He is a member of the TNA Hall of Fame and has received the TNA's Tidwell Literary Award and Outstanding Governor Award. An ANA District Delegate and Representative, David has also served the Corpus Christi Coin Club as Vice President, Treasurer, and Webmaster. He is also the Webmaster for the Bellaire Coin Club.

**For District IX Governor – Gober Pitzer:** A resident of Leveland, Gober is the incumbent Governor. A member of the South Plains Coin Club, Lamb County Coin Club, and the ANA, he has been a coin collector for more than 30 years and a member of the TNA for most of those years. His collecting interests include U.S. type coins and paper money. Having been a Junior Member of the TNA, Gober is interested in promoting youths' interest in coin collecting.

**For District X Governor – Pat Curran:** A resident of Mesilla, New Mexico, Pat is the incumbent Governor. A coin collector for over 50 years, he is an active member of the International Coin Club of El Paso and currently serves as Auctioneer. The club elected him a Life Member in recognition of past services and he is presently coordinating the proposed TNA rotating coin show to be held in El Paso in October of 2006. Pat is a retired, on call, State Magistrate for Donna Ana County in New Mexico.

**For District XI Governor – Doug Hershey:** A resident of Amarillo, Doug is the incumbent Governor. He is a member of the Golden Spread Coin Club and began collecting coins at age 7 when he bought a roll of 1964 Kennedy halves from his hometown bank which he still has. By age 12 he was buying rolls of pennies at the bank and sorting through them for the good ones. Doug continues this practice today although he now buys and sorts through rolls of halves. He also collects key date coins and pre-1932 gold. Other interests include flying, ranching, traveling, politics, and church activities. Doug has an Engineering Degree from Texas Tech University and is self-employed as a grain broker.

**For Districts XII and XIII – no nomination**

**For District XIV – Helen Snider:** A resident of McAllen, Helen is the incumbent Governor, having served for the past 16 years in this capacity.

She is a member of the Hildalgo Coin Club and has represented District XIV by attending the TNA Annual and Semi-Annual Meetings as well as serving as the Chairman of the TNA Book Auction Committee and TNA Donations Committee. Helen states that if she is reelected she will continue to serve this district to the best of her ability.

**For District XV – Barbara Williams:** A resident of Silsbee, Barbara is the incumbent Governor. A member of the four local clubs, Beaumont, Port Arthur, Orange and Silsbee, she has served all four clubs as President, Vice President and Secretary and is currently Treasurer of the Beaumont Coin Club. A member of the ANA, she is the ANA's Co-Regional Coordinator for Texas and Louisiana. Barbara has received the Lewis Reagan Award and the VIP Award from the TNA and Program of the Year and Member of the Year Awards from each of the four local clubs. A coin collector for 34 years, she has also served on local coin show committees and attends state and national conventions.

**For District XVI – Combined with District XVII for voting purposes due to no TNA member Chapters in this district.** Paul Garner is the candidate.

**For District XVII – Paul Garner:** A resident of Waco, Paul is the incumbent Governor (please see above for biographical information).

**FRANKY HILL  
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To accomplish this task, we must solicit the support of dealers and collectors everywhere. We need enough contributions to create 200 lots to accommodate about 100 kids who are expected to attend. (We try to make each lot have a retail value of about \$8 to \$12).

We can use anything associated with our hobby, regardless of value. Items can be combined to build a respectable lot. Better items are used as incentive and attendance awards.

Members of coin clubs – combine contributions at your next meeting and mail them as a package.

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Please send items to: J. Russell Prinzinger, 7405 Windhaven Rd, Fort Worth, TX 76180. 817-656 2540. [yanos1@flash.net](mailto:yanos1@flash.net)

### **TNA TO SPONSOR FALL 2006 COIN SHOW EL PASO, TEXAS**

At recent Board Meetings the TNA has discussed the feasibility of sponsoring a second Coin Show in the fall of the year at some geographically different part of the state from the May Convention and Show. The Board has voted to sponsor a Coin Show in El Paso on October 27, 28 and 29, 2006. If this show is successful, the TNA will continue sponsoring a fall show in different geographic areas of the state. The show will be produced by the International Coin Club of El Paso and will be held at the El Maida Shrine Temple, 6331 Alabama, El Paso, Tx 79904. Preliminary plans include 120 dealer tables, educational exhibits including a possible exhibit by the Bank of Mexico, coin collecting merit badge seminars for both Boy and Girl Scouts and possibly an auction.

Information regarding the show and dealer tables can be obtained from Pat Curran, P.O. Box 839, Mesilla, NM 88046, phone 505/521-7340, e-mail [patrick2193@earthlink.net](mailto:patrick2193@earthlink.net).

# *The Confederate Half Dollar & J.W. Scott Restrikes*

By Jim Bevill

During the “War Between the States”, our nation was torn apart for political, moral, and economic reasons, after 13 states seceded from the Union and formed the Confederate States of America. It was our nations most divisive and bloody conflict.

The Confederate Half Dollar is the only coin bearing an original Confederate design which was actually struck at a Confederate mint during the war. It is the lone surviving numismatic record of a nation of 9 million people who maintained a precarious existence in the face of overwhelming odds for nearly 4 ½ years!

The story of the infamous coins actually begins in 1838, with the establishment of three southern branch mints, and the striking of coins at the new mints was begun. The new mints were in Charlotte North Carolina “C”, Dahlonega, Georgia “D”, and New Orleans, Louisiana “O”. Of these three, only the New Orleans mint struck silver coins, and in early 1861, 330,000 Liberty Seated Half Dollars were struck there while still under the authority of the U.S. Government. As the individual states which were later to form the Confederacy seceded from the Union, the state authorities seized the Federal Mint at New Orleans and Dahlonega, and occupied them, followed by the Federal mint at Charlotte. When these states joined the C.S.A., all of the assets of the mints, including the bullion, were turned over to the confederacy. On February 28, 1861, the New Orleans Mint staff swore allegiance to the Confederacy, following which 1,240,000 more half dollars were struck for the State of Louisiana, under the supervision of Anthony J. Guirot. The C.S.A. retained mint superintendent William A. Elmore, who then authorized an additional 962,633 half dollars. In total, there were 2,532,533 1861-O Half Dollars struck, approximately 87% of which were struck after Louisiana’s secession. Except for a single variety (Breen 4906), which has a distinct die crack, from the rim to the bridge of the nose, close to the seventh star, these are generally indistinguishable from the Union issues.

In March 1861, C.S.A. Treasury Secretary C.G. Memminger solicited designs for half dollar dies. The design he approved of combined the Union obverse type, with an original confederate design, which was prepared and then engraved on a working die by A.H.M. Patterson, an engraver and die-sinker in New Orleans. The central device in the Confederate Half Dollar was formed by a shield. At the top of the shield are seven stars, representing the original seven seceding states. In order of their secession, they were South Carolina, Mississippi, Florida, Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana and Texas. Below the stars are 15 vertical stripes, representing the 15 southern states. The first 7 represent the original 7 seceding states. The next 6 stripes represent the remaining six states which were later admitted to complete the Confederate States of America. They were (in order of admission) Virginia, Tennessee, North Carolina, Arkansas, Missouri, and Kentucky. The final 2

stripes represented the border states of Delaware and Maryland, while not seceding, were sympathetic to the Confederate cause.



A pole extends from the top of the shield, and is surmounted by a Phrygian Cap. The shield is surrounded by a wreath composed on the left side of cotton, and on the right by a stalk of sugar cane. Of course, the legend surrounding it reads "Confederate States of America", and "HALF DOL" on the bottom.

In April 1861, before the mint was occupied, Union sympathizers among the mint's employees sabotaged a lot of the equipment, and the main coinage press and many of the existing dies were extensively damaged. Because of the high relief on the Confederate die, it was thought that the main coining press had been damaged too much to bring up the proper relief, so a hand screw press was selected to strike the initial coins. The foreman of the coining room, named Conrad Schmidt, then prepared the Confederate die for press, burnishing it and the Union obverse die to create proofs, but he noted that the obverse die was already cracked from the rim to bridge of the nose, close to the seventh star. This pair of dies was then used to strike the four Confederate Half Dollar proofs which were then distributed to VIP's for their review and perhaps their approval. One of the coins was given to Secretary Memminger, who passed it on to Jefferson Davis. This is the coin which was seized by Union soldiers upon his capture, as the war ended. A second coin was given to Professor J.L. Riddell of the University of Louisiana. The third coin was given to a Dr. E. Ames, a New Orleans physician. The fourth coin and both obverse and reverse dies were kept by Dr. B.F. Taylor, a physician and also the Chief Coiner at the New Orleans Mint. After striking the four proofs, the project was suspended pending further approval from the Treasury Secretary, which oddly enough, never came. In the wake of the bloody conflict and the more pressing matters of financing the war, it's quite possible that the formal approval of the coinage process bearing the new designs may have simply become a low priority. In the meantime, the cracked Union obverse die remained in the press, one of the regular union reverses were inserted, and the production of half dollars using the union dies continued during the month, and it created another variety, as the union die continued to crack further between the foot, rim, adjacent stars, and through the bases of HALF DOL. In the path of the rapidly advancing Union Army,

the mint closed, on April 30, 1861, and the remaining gold and silver (coined and un-coined) was removed by CSA forces, and shipped to safety before the Union troops closed in and seized the facility.

Fast forward to January 1879. A coin collector in Philadelphia named Ebenezer Mason wrote an article on the Confederate Half dollar, and by chance, it was read by Dr. Taylor, the former chief coiner for the mint, who had managed to survive the war. He provided additional details on the coins and still held onto one of the specimens the confederate reverse die, the obverse die having long been confiscated by federal troops at the end of the war. He also indicated in his correspondence with Mr. Mason that he would be willing to sell them. In an effort to verify the authenticity of the coin, Mr. Mason wrote a letter to Jefferson Davis, who confirmed the Confederate Half Dollar with the following reply:

Sir,

*"I had a confederate coin. It was in my wife's trunk when it was rifled by the Federal Officers on board the prison ship on which she was detained at Hampton Roads before and after my confinement in Fortress Monroe. The coin, some medals and other valuables were stolen at that time. Whether the coin be the same which has been offered to you as a duplicate, I cannot say. It is however, not true, as published, that it is now in my possession."*

*Respectfully, Jefferson Davis*

Now convinced of the authenticity of Dr. Taylor's specimen and die, Mr. Mason, purchased them and, in turn, sold them to J.W. Scott & Company of New York. Scott, in turn, re-polished the die (as it had rusted) and stamped 500 tokens in white metal with a special obverse advertising inscription as follows:

**"4 ORIGINALS STRUCK BY ORDER OF C.S.A. IN NEW ORLEANS  
1861 REV. SAME AS U.S. (FROM ORIGINAL SCOTT DIE)"**



After stamping the tokens, which were for resale, The Scott Company obtained 500 genuine 1861-O Half Dollars, planed off the union reverses, and then re-stamped them with the Confederate Reverse Die. These are known as the Scott Restrikes. They were meant to be duplicates of the four original C.S.A. half dollars, as they carry the same obverse and reverse, and were struck over genuine 1861-0 half dollars. To accomplish this, Scott tool

great care to protect both the Confederate reverse die, and the obverse liberty seated design, which was already present, from the striking process. As can be imagined, even though the obverse of the coins were placed on a sheet of soft brass to cushion them, the obverse designs were obviously flatted during the re-strike process. Yet the reverse confederate design was well struck up, bearing the short legacy of the Confederacy, on the genuine half dollar planchets from the New Orleans Mint, creating an uncanny, yet striking reproduction. Perhaps even more interesting, of the 500 genuine 1861-O half dollars which were acquired by J.W. Scott & Co for the re-strikes, a handful of these coins were coincidentally of the same obverse variety that was in existence at the time the four C.S.A. proof half dollars were struck.

The noted numismatic researcher, Walter Breen, had cataloged the “Breen 4906” Cracked Confederate Obverse as Rare. The “Crack, rim to bridge of nose close to seventh star” die was earlier used to make the 4 original Confederate Proofs. While making the re-stuck coins as souvenirs, to be later sold at \$2 each, J.W. Scott created his own numismatic rarity by inadvertently pairing a handful of re-strikes with the exact same coin diagnostics as the original four Confederate Half dollars. This accidental die pairing, coupling only a few dozen examples at most, are nearly numismatic clones of the four original proofs, rather than just a re-strike of the coin using the infamous Confederate reverse design !

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## **TNA COIN SHOW SET FOR MAY 13- 15 2005**

The TNA's 47th Annual State coin show will be held in Fort Worth, Texas at the Will Rogers Complex on May 13, 14 and 15, 2005. This is the same location as the last four years. Additional details will be announced in the near future; but in the meantime, mark your calendars to attend. The show producer is Jim Fitzgerald and he can be contacted at 817-847-5205 or at [jamesfitz@prodigy.net](mailto:jamesfitz@prodigy.net).



## California

The first quarter released in 2005 honors California, and is the 31<sup>st</sup> in the United States Mint's 50 State Quarters® Program. California was admitted into the Union on September 9, 1850, becoming our Nation's 31<sup>st</sup> State. Nicknamed the "Golden State," California's quarter depicts naturalist and conservationist John Muir admiring Yosemite Valley's monolithic granite headwall known as "Half Dome" and also contains a soaring California condor. The coin bears the inscriptions "California," "John Muir," "Yosemite Valley" and "1850."



In 1849, the year before California gained statehood, the family of 11-year-old John Muir emigrated from Scotland to the United States, settling in Wisconsin. In 1868, at the age of 30, Muir sailed up the West Coast and landed in San Francisco. He made his home in the Yosemite Valley, describing the Sierra Nevada Mountains as "the Range of Light... the most divinely beautiful of all the mountain chains I have seen." He devoted the rest of his life to the conservation of natural beauty, publishing more than 300 articles and 10 books that expanded his naturalist philosophy.

In 1890, Congress established Yosemite National Park, and in 1892 John Muir helped form the Sierra Club to protect it, serving as that organization's President until his death in 1914.

The California condor, with a wingspan as long as nine feet, is also featured on the coin in a tribute to the successful repopulation of the once nearly extinct bird.

The 20-member California State Quarter Commission was formed to solicit design concepts from California citizens and to review all submissions. The Commission forwarded 20 design concepts to Governor Gray Davis's office for further consideration. From these, five were chosen as finalists and sent for final review to the United States Mint. Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger chose the final selection from this group of five. The four other design concepts considered included "Waves and Sun," "Gold Miner," "Golden Gate Bridge," and the "Giant Sequoia" design. The Department of Treasury approved the "John Muir/Yosemite Valley" design on 4/15/04.

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# UNITED STATES COINS—A “PRIMER”

## KENNEDY HALF-DOLLARS

*This historical information is compiled from the U.S. Coins Series compliments of Numismatic Guarantee Corporation.*

It is said that every American who was alive in 1963 remembers exactly what he or she was doing at the moment they heard the news of President Kennedy being shot. Then, just a couple of hours later, came the awful report that he had died. It's hard for anyone who was not a witness to those sad days to fully comprehend the sense of loss which overtook the nation. This grief found expression in the renaming of many civic structures, roadways and even geographical features in honor of the slain leader. Of all these memorials, however, the United States half dollar bearing Kennedy's familiar likeness will almost certainly survive the longest, since coins, being nearly indestructible, have a long track record as the most durable witnesses to history. The story of the Kennedy half dollar's inception is perhaps best told in the words of then Chief Engraver of the United States Mint, the late Gilroy Roberts: *“Shortly after the tragedy of President Kennedy's death, November 22, 1963, Miss Eva Adams, the Director of the Mint, telephoned me at the Philadelphia Mint and explained that serious consideration was being given to placing President Kennedy's portrait on a new design U.S. silver coin and that the quarter dollar, half dollar or the one dollar were under discussion. A day or so later, about November 27, Miss Adams called again and informed me that the half dollar had been chosen for the new design, that Mrs. Kennedy did not want to replace Washington's portrait on the quarter dollar. Also it had been decided to use the profile portrait that appears on our Mint list medal for President Kennedy and the President's Seal that has been used on the reverse of this and other Mint medals.”* This work was undertaken immediately, Gilroy Roberts sculpting the portrait obverse, while his longtime Assistant Engraver, Frank Gasparro, prepared the reverse model bearing the presidential seal. Both were amply experienced in these tasks. Along with the sculpting of various mint medals, Roberts had prepared the models of John R. Sinnock's design for the Benjamin Franklin half dollar of 1948, following Sinnock's death the previous year. Gasparro too was a veteran of numerous medal designs, and he had most recently created the new reverse which debuted on the Lincoln cent in 1959. For these



two artists, time was of the essence, as the new year loomed ahead, and the Treasury Department did not want to issue any of the existing-type Franklin half dollars dated 1964. Complicating matters still further was a severe, nationwide shortage of all coins. Half dollars of one type or the other had to be ready for coining early in the new year to avert a worsening of this shortage.

In the meantime, however, there was a legal hurdle to overcome: Under existing law, U. S. coin designs could not be changed more often than every 25 years; the Franklin half was then only 15 years old, and its replacement would quite literally require an act of Congress. Partisan disputes were largely set aside in recognition of the nation's and the world's loss, and Congress managed to pass legislation permitting a change in the half dollar's design with only a few weeks' debate. The Act of December 30, 1963 made the Kennedy half dollar a reality.

Using his existing models for JFK's presidential medal as a guide, Roberts completed his initial rendering of the half dollar within days of its commissioning. Gasparro, too, worked feverishly, and trial strikes of the Kennedy half were run off and dispatched to Mint Director Adams on December 13. A few days later, these were viewed by the President's widow, Jacqueline, and brother, U. S. Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy. Incorporating some of Mrs. Kennedy's comments into his revised models, Roberts had additional trial strikes coined. These were viewed and approved by Treasury Secretary Douglas Dillon, who agreed that Mrs. Kennedy's wishes had been met.

The first Kennedy half dollars made for distribution were proofs coined early in 1964. By January 30, regular-issue coinage began at the Denver Mint, and the Philadelphia Mint followed suit the week after. These coins were released to the public amid much fanfare and anticipation on March 24, 1964. Despite limiting the number of coins they would sell to each individual, banks were quickly denuded of their supplies; few of the coins ever achieved actual circulation. From its very inception, the Kennedy half dollar became a keepsake, one cherished not only by Americans but by the late President's many foreign admirers, as well.

The number of Kennedy halves produced during 1964 was enormous in comparison to previous half dollar mintages. Despite this, the coins continued to disappear as fast as they were issued. With the nationwide shortage of all coins showing no let-up, Congress enacted a law which permitted freezing the 1964 date on U. S. coins until such time as the crisis passed. This was done in an effort to discourage hoarding by collectors and speculators, but the real problem lay in methods of distribution and recirculation, rather than being caused by the insignificant actions of hobbyists.

When Congress opted to eliminate silver from the dime and quarter beginning in 1965, it reached a compromise with the half dollar: Its silver content, while greatly reduced overall, was placed almost entirely at the coin's surface by bonding three strips of metal, the innermost one being primarily copper. These "silver-clad" pieces were coined from 1965 through

1970. Despite these various steps, Kennedy half dollars still failed to circulate to any great extent, and the question of eliminating its silver content altogether was eventually raised. After protracted debate during 1969-70, a bill was finally passed near the end of 1970 which called for the coining of half dollars in the same composition used since 1965 for the dime and quarter: two outer layers of copper and nickel bonded to an inner core of pure copper. From 1971 onward, the Kennedy half dollar would bear the red edge which had already become familiar to Americans who mourned the passing of silver from the nation's coinage. Alas, even this concession was not enough to make half dollars reappear in circulation, and today they are known only to coin collectors and gambling casino patrons.

For the nation's bicentennial in 1976, a special reverse was prepared by Seth G. Huntington which depicted Philadelphia's Independence Hall, birthplace of the United States. Huntington's design had been selected from among numerous entries in a 1973 competition. Bicentennial halves bearing the dual dates 1776-1976 were coined during 1975 and 1976 in both copper-nickel-clad and silver-clad compositions. The latter were not released to circulation, but rather were sold at a premium to collectors in both uncirculated and proof editions.

There are no rare date/mint combinations in the Kennedy half dollar series, although some pieces saw limited distribution. Proofs were coined for collectors in 1964 at the Philadelphia Mint and since 1968 at the San Francisco Mint. So-called "special mint set" coins were offered in place of true proofs during 1965-67, and these are usually collected in conjunction with the proof sets. The 1970-D half dollars were struck only to fill that year's orders for mint sets, pending the change to copper-nickel coinage; the silver-clad, bicentennial halves were likewise coined only for collectors. In 1987, the Mint announced that no half dollars of that date would be issued for circulation, and this caused a surge in the number of mint sets ordered. Finally, since 1992, the Mint has offered proof sets of both the conventional copper-nickel coinage and ones in which the dime, quarter and half are .900 fine silver, the composition used in 1964 and earlier years.

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# TNA code of ethics for dealers and members

## Dealer Code of Ethics

As a TNA Member Dealer, I agree to comply with the following principles:

To comply with both the ANA and TNA Member Code of Ethics.

To purchase and sell numismatic items at prices commensurate with a reasonable return to the seller and for a reasonable return on my investment with regards to the then prevailing rate.

To furnish my clientele with accurate advice on numismatic information to the best of my ability.

To not knowingly handle for resale forgeries, counterfeits, unmarked copies, altered coins or other spurious numismatic merchandise that is not clearly labeled as such or to purchase or offer for sale any merchandise that I have reason to believe stolen.

To frequently publish my statement of return privileges, which will allow my customers a designated period of time in which to return numismatic material for a refund, except bullion or bullion related which material may not be returned for a refund. Said period of time shall not be less than fifteen (15) days from the recorded date of receipt or other transmittal of said material or not less than ten (10) days after my customer's receipt thereof or my attempted delivery thereof to my customer, whichever time period shall be the earlier. If a customer submits what they believe to be an improperly described or over graded coin to a certification service for authentication or grading and notifies me of such submission within ten (10) days of my date of mailing or other delivery, I will continue to recognize his/her return privilege for thirty (30) days after my customer's receipt of said coin from me. In an auction sale of consigned material, the return privilege period may be made available only to mail bidders, and the period for the return of such material may be limited to five (5) days from the mail bidder's receipt thereof or fifteen (15) days from the bidder's receipt of the invoice for such material or my attempted delivery of my invoice thereof, whichever time period shall be the earlier. Whether or not an item has been returned within the limited return period, a dealer may be subject to expulsion or other disciplinary action for:

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Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, I shall have the right to enforce my written terms of sale furnished to a customer or the written provisions of my contract with a customer, even if such terms and/or provisions restrict or prohibit the return of numismatic material, contrary to the return privilege provisions set forth herein. However, said terms and provisions may not provide a time limit for the return of a counterfeit coin unless I have informed my customer that a coin may not be genuine and he/she has agreed that the coin cannot be returned to me for a refund

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I agree to abide by all local, state and federal laws in all numismatic matters and to assist in the prosecution of violators of the law in this respect.

I agree to recognize and respect my own contracts and business dealings and those of fellow members of the Association.

To refrain from making unjustified and/or false statements or misrepresentations in my relations with others, and to fully cooperate in the advancement of our hobby and business in my relations with collector and dealer alike.

I agree that my use of the TNA Member Dealer Logo is subject to revocation at any time by the TNA Board of Governors.

Any violation of this code will be grounds for expulsion from the Texas Numismatic Association.

### **Member Code of Ethics**

Membership in the Texas Numismatic Association is a privilege extended to those persons and organizations deemed worthy thereof and is not a matter of right. Such membership can be maintained unless the Board of Governors determines that the conduct of a member has been such that, in the best interests of the Association, his/her membership should be terminated.

For the guidance of its members, this Code of Ethics has been duly adopted by the Board of Governors under the authority vested in it by the laws of The State of Texas and the bylaws of the Association.

Any violation of this code will be grounds for expulsion from the Texas Numismatic Association.

As a member of the Texas Numismatic Association, I agree to comply with the following standards of conduct:

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To conduct myself so as to bring no reproach or discredit to the Association, or impair the prestige of the membership therein.

To base all of my dealings on the highest plane of justice, fairness and morality, and to refrain from making false statements as to the condition of a numismatic item or as to any other matter.

To neither buy nor sell numismatic items of which the ownership is questionable.

To conform to the accepted standards of dignified advertising.

To take immediate steps to correct any error I may make in any transaction.

Not to sell, exhibit, produce or advertise a counterfeit, copy, restrike or reproduction of any numismatic item if its nature is not clearly indicated by the word "counterfeit," "copy," "restrick," or "reproduction," incused in the metal or printed on the paper thereof, with the exception of items generally accepted by numismatists and not in any way misrepresented as genuine.

To represent a numismatic item to be genuine only when, to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is authentic.

To fulfill all contracts made by me, either oral or written, to make prompt payments upon delivery and to return immediately any item that is not satisfactory.

To give aid to members in their quest for numismatic knowledge.

To comply with the Dealer Code of Ethics with respect to my sale or purchase of any numismatic item.

## **Debbie Williams for TNA Second Vice President**

Your vote of support for Debbie Williams is appreciated. As a candidate, I bring a multitude of experiences to the Association. In that regard, I have the following qualifications.

- \* 2003-05 TNA Treasurer
- \* ANA District Delegate
- \* Graduate ANA Numismatic Diploma Program
- \* Diploma Program Mentor
- \* Past President, Vice President, and Treasurer of Mid-Cities Coin Club
- \* Active member of Mid-Cities, Dallas, Northeast Tarrant County and Fort Worth Coin Clubs

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## **Dave Burke for Governor, District VIII**

I was born in Charlotte North Carolina to Weldon Barbee Kerr and Dolly Rosie Watts Kerr yes Kerr. When I was a ward of the state of Virginia, they changed my last name to Burke. The military brought me to Kingsville Texas in 1969, where I was bumped from the 8<sup>th</sup> grade to the 10<sup>th</sup> at Henrietta King High School. At age 14 I joined the U.S. Marine Corps, served with honors and was severely injured while stationed in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, after 7 years in and out of military, and VA medical facilities, I retired with 20 years service from the Marines. Martha, my loving wife of 26 years and I were married July 4<sup>th</sup> at the base chapel. We have two boys, three grandchildren and two great grand- children. I went on to own a pet shop "Tropical Fish Land" and now own a computer service "Corpus Christi Advanced Technologies". Family is the center of the universe for me; I am LDS and have held several callings from Ward to Stake level, and offices in numerous other groups such as Coastal Area Users Group which I have held the office of President for over 10 years. I have been an avid numismatist, for the last 42 years and have served in several positions within the Texas Numismatic Association and other numismatic organizations. I have received the Tidwell Literary award for Numismatics, Outstanding Governor, and was inducted into the Texas Numismatic Hall of Fame in 2001. I serve as Governor for District VIII, webmaster, Library and Technology Chairman for T.N.A.

# TNA in 2010, It's in YOUR Hands

I am Paul Garner, candidate for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President of TNA

- My wife and I are life members of TNA and my daughter is the youngest member of TNA.
- I have been a member of TNA for 37 years, ever since I returned from Vietnam in 1968.
- District governor of Districts 16 and 17; past governor of district 5; ANA Life Member 2022; TNA life member 139; and life member of the Philippine Numismatic Association as well as a life member of the following numismatic associations: Arkansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Central States and Kansas.
- Exhibitor and winner of three Best of Show awards
- Retired from the United States Air Force, Bachelor of Science degree from the University of San Francisco.
- I am the author of Silver Coins of the World and Chinese Chop Marks and their Relationship to the Napoleonic Wars and the article on the previously undiscovered Melrose, NM token.

## What have I done for TNA?

- Over \$30,000 donated to TNA in cash and materials during the time I have been a member. Major contributor to the annual Youth Auction every year. I've put my money where my mouth is in support of TNA.
- Served TNA Governor and on assorted committees over the past 36 years.
- I succeeded in having TNA eliminate the lower age limit on TNA membership so that any Young Numismatist can join TNA.
- I succeeded in having TNA adopt a strong Code of Ethics for Dealers who are member of TNA
- I succeeded in having TNA adopt a strong member code of ethics.
- I am fighting for a strong code of ethics for our elected board members.
- Unlike some, I have never missed a meeting while holding office.

## What do I want for the future of TNA?

By 2010, I want TNA to be the best, the finest, the most progressive and the strongest state numismatic organization in the United States. TNA has the potential to again become the leader in the hobby and I want you to help me accomplish this. I want to see our annual TNA Convention rival the other major shows such as FUN, Long Beach and ANA as a must attend show on both a national and international level.

As a collector of 61 years I am familiar with the problems of collectors. As a full and part-time dealer for 41 years I am familiar with the problems of dealers. As a show promoter for 15 years I am familiar with the problems of show organizers. This has given me an all-encompassing and unique viewpoint of our hobby. I will work closely with the local clubs, dealers throughout the state, the American Numismatic Association and the other state organizations in revitalizing the hobby and bringing new members in. I will reach out to collectors both as individuals and as groups to invite them to become part of the TNA. In particular I will reach out to the young collectors of today since they are the future of our hobby.

**PAUL GARNER, CANDIDATE FOR 2<sup>ND</sup> VICE-PRESIDENT OF  
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# **APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, INC.**

This association is a non-profit, educational and scientific organization founded in January 1960. It is purely a mutual association founded for the benefit of its members.

The TNA invites to membership all worthy persons who are at least nine years of age. Coin clubs, schools, libraries, museums and kindred organizations who have a sincere interest in the collecting and study of coins, paper money, tokens, medals and related items are welcome.

## **PURPOSES:**

To promote and advance interest and comprehensive knowledge of numismatics; to cultivate friendly relations among fellow collectors; to hold periodic meetings and exhibits; to provide a place and time to buy, sell and trade numismatic items; to serve its members collectively, not individually.

## **ADVANTAGES:**

To be a member is to have fraternal affiliation with numismatics of your state; to know their addresses and collecting interests; to have the honor of serving visitors with the names of collectors in their vicinity; to participate in the annual convention; to receive the official publication. TNA membership offers prestige on the state level just as ANA offers prestige on the national and international levels.

## **OFFICIAL PUBLICATION:**

Each Regular, Junior, Life and Chapter member receives the TNA News for no additional cost. Insofar as possible, this media will keep you informed about your association, and the individual and chapter members. It carries timely articles and features. Its pages are free to all members to express their views and to contribute articles for the advancement of numismatics. Those seeking information may ask for help through the pages of the TNA News. Those having items for sale or trade may advertise for a nominal sum. The TNA News is the voice of the TNA.

## **CONVENTIONS:**

The TNA will meet in an annual convention. Members are entitled to a voice at the conventions. The business sessions are devoted to the procedures necessary to the operation of your state association. Entertainment and time for renewal of friendships is an important part of the conventions. Educational exhibits are a vital adjunct. The opportunity to buy, sell and trade is provided through bourse activity.

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**APPLICATION:**

Applicants for membership must be proposed for membership by a TNA member who signs the application form together with an additional person know as a voucher. A voucher for an applicant for regular membership should be an adult of reputable character who knows the applicant. A voucher for an applicant for junior membership must be a parent or guardian of the applicant. Applicants for chapter membership should be signed by the president. Such other information as required on the application should be given.

Chapter membership applicants should furnish the additional information;

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3. Mailing address
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Names of applicants are published in the TNA News. If no objections are received within 20 days after the date of publication, the applicant is admitted to membership. A membership card is sent with notification of admission. The official publication will be mailed to eligible applicants.

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Mail applications to:  
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# In Memoriam

## JACK PROVOST

Jack Provost, a TNA and ANA member of Silsbee, Texas past away on November 19, 2004 Jack had been a collector since the early 60's. He had been a member of TNA and ANA since 1979. He was a member of the Beaumont Coin Club and a charter member of the Silsbee Coin Club. He was bourse chairman for the Southeast Texas Coin Show in the 90's. He was known in Texas and Louisiana as the Bald Eagle. Jack helped supply coins for the youth auction each year. Jack was a contractor and home builder in the Golden Triangle for many years. He was a fine Christian man and will be missed by so many of us.

Jack is survived by his wife, Beulah and six children and fourteen grandchildren and twenty six great grandchildren. Memorial contributions can be made in the charity of your choice.

## Howard Luke

Mr. Luke was a member of TNA since 1960 and was life member 86. He was also a former governor of district 1.

*TNA will miss these two individuals and extends our sympathies and thoughts to their families.*

## CALENDAR of EVENTS--2005

**February 11-12                      Texarkana, TX                      46 Tables**  
Texarkana Coin Club Show. Four Points Sheraton Hotel. 5301 N. Stateline  
Ave. Texarkana, TX. Fri 2p-7p; Sat 9a-5p. Free Admission. Hourly Door  
Prizes. Contact: Texarkana Coin Club (903) 223-3520.

**February 18-20** **El Paso, TX**  
El Paso International Coin Club's 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Coin, Stamp and Collectibles show. El Maida Shrine Temple—6331 Alabama. Larger Place, Tables \$175. Free Admission, Parking. Contact Don Tomko (915) 755-7063. email—tomko8@earthlink.net

**February 24-26 Lufkin, TX**  
Lufkin Coin Club Annual Show. Lufkin BBQ Annex (Corner of Timberlane and Chestnut Ave). Youth Auction 2 PM Saturday. Admission \$1. Tables--\$125.00--- Drawing for gold coin---**BUY- SELL- TRADE.**  
For information Call 936-699-3020 or email ---J-RCOINS@AOL.com

**February 26**                      **San Antonio, Texas**                      **35 Tables**  
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**March 5-6** **Orange, TX**  
Greater Orange Coin Club, Spring Show. Saturday: 9:00-5:00pm; Sunday, 10:00-4:00pm. Ramada Inn 2610 West I-10, Orange, TX, Youth Auction 2pm - Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup>. Adult Admission: \$1.00, free parking. Drawing for Gold coin. Contact--Bourse Chairman, Dewey Scott, Box 1324, Orange, TX 77630. (409)-883-6388

**March 12** **Beeville, TX** **21 Tables**  
 South Texas Coin Club Show. My Country Kitchen. Tables \$40. Contact  
 Bob Bills, 416 W. 3<sup>rd</sup>, Karnes City, TX 78118. (830) 780-3522.

**March 12-13** **Ft. Worth, TX**  
 Fort Worth Coin Club Spring Show. Lockheed Recreation Center. 3400  
 South Bryant Irvin Road. Admission \$3. Free Parking. Door Prizes.  
 Contact Jeff Cecil (817)-909-5634 or email [anna.cecil@att.net](mailto:anna.cecil@att.net).

**March 12**                                      **Victoria, TX**                                      **51 Tables**  
South Texas Coin Club Show. Holiday Inn, Victoria. Tables \$40. Contact  
Bob Bills, 416 W. 3<sup>rd</sup>, Karnes City, TX 78118. (830) 780-3522.

**March 19-20 Lubbock, TX 100 Tables**  
45<sup>th</sup> Annual South Plains Coin Club, Inc, Coin and Sports Card Show.  
Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. 1501 6<sup>th</sup> St. Hours—Sat 9a-6p; Sun 9a-4p. Free admission. Free parking. For more information contact Lynn Parker, Box 6326, Lubbock, TX 79493; (806) 785-1030.

**April 2 McKinney, TX 32 Tables**  
**Semi-Annual Coin Show.** Sponsored by the Collin County Coin Club.  
 Holiday Inn, 1300 N. Hwy 75 (Hwy 75 North Exit #40B). A: Free. Tables  
 \$50/\$60. Gary Rollins, Box 744, McKinney, TX 75070. Tel: (972) 727-  
 1566 email [grollins@evl.net](mailto:grollins@evl.net) or visit club website  
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**April 2** **Round Rock, Texas** **40 Tables**  
Central Texas Coin Show: Wingate Inn, 1209 North IH-35 and Highway 79,  
Exit 253, Round Rock, Texas 78664. Contact Francis Smith,  
(512) 339-2923 [fpsmith@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fpsmith@sbcglobal.net)

**April 15-17** **Grapevine, TX** **70 Tables**  
TEXAS COIN SHOW at the Convention Center, 1209 S. Main St., Grapevine, TX 76051 (Hwy 114, Main Street, right on Vine). Fri-2p-6p; Sat-9a-6p; Sun-9a-3p. Free parking, police security & \$2 admission. GOLD PRIZES! Contact Ginger & David Pike, Box 126, Tom Bean, TX 75489-0126. Phone/fax (214)-535-3465. email—TexasCoinShows@aol.com.

**May 13-15** **Ft. Worth, Texas**  
TNA's 47th Annual State coin show. Will Rogers Complex. Additional details will be announced in the near future; but in the meantime, mark your calendars to attend. The show producer is Jim Fitzgerald and he can be contacted at 817-847-5205 or at [jamesfitz@prodigy.net](mailto:jamesfitz@prodigy.net).

**May 21** **San Antonio, Texas** **35 Tables**  
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**June 25** **Round Rock, Texas** **40 Tables**  
Capital City Coin Club 33rd Annual Coin Show: Wingate Inn, 1209 North IH-35 and Highway 79, Exit 253, Round Rock, Texas 78664. Contact Bryan Jones (512) 339-2923.

**August 6** **Sherman, TX** **32 Tables**  
**Texoma Coin Show.** Holiday Inn, 3605 Hwy 75 South; Exit 56 (FM 1417). A: Free. Gary Rollins, Box 744, McKinney, TX 75070. Tel: (972) 727-1566 email—grollins@evl.net or Tony Hales, Box 832032 Richardson, TX 75080. Tel: (972) 690-4340. email—tkhales@yahoo.com.

**August 13-14** **Amarillo, Texas**  
Golden Spread Coin Club's Annual Show. More details to follow.

**August 19-21** **Richardson, Texas** **85 Tables**  
18<sup>th</sup> Annual Plano Coin Show. Richardson Civic Center, 411 West Arapaho Rd (SW corner Central Expwy & Arapaho Rd). Free admission and parking. Tables \$185. Contact Mark R. Schroder, Lone Star Mint, Inc. 805 East 15<sup>th</sup> St, Plano, TX 75074-5805. (972) 424-1405. email planoshow@lsmint.com

**August 27** **San Antonio, Texas** **60 Tables**  
Live Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Rd. at Loop 1604, just off IH-35 N. Open 9:30 AM to 5:30 PM. Children's Auction at 2:30. Admission \$1.00. Free Parking, Hourly Door Prizes. Tables \$95. Contact: Harold Eiserloh, Box 100714, San Antonio, TX 78201 E-mail: eiserlohsat@juno.com.

**September 3-4** **Ft. Worth, TX** **65 Tables**  
34<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Coin Show. Green Oaks Inn. 6901 W. Freeway, I-30. Free Admission. Sat 9a-6p; Sun 9a-3p. Tables \$200. Contact Joe & Linda Wade, 6420 Diamond Loch N., Ft. Worth, TX 76180; (817) 485-1777.

**September 10** **Victoria, TX** **51 Tables**  
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**September 17** **Beeville, TX** **21 Tables**  
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**September 17-18** **Beaumont, TX**  
Southeast Texas Coin & Collectibles Fall Show. Jointly Sponsored by the Beaumont, Orange, Port Arthur, & Silsbee Coin Clubs. Saturday, 9:00 to 5:00pm & Sunday, 9:00 to 4:00. Beaumont Civic Center, (Take downtown exit & follow the signs). Located at the Corner of Main & Forsythe. Admission for Adults, \$1.00. Youth Auction, 3:00pm. Drawing for Gold Coin. Contact--Dale Richey, Bourse Chairman, Box 8258, Lumberton, TX 77657. Ph. No. (409-246-2432

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## 5 Tables

South Texas Coin Club Show. Historic Park Hotel. Tables \$40. Contact Bob Bills, 416 W. 3<sup>rd</sup>, Karnes City, TX 78118. (830) 780-3522.

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# TEXAS

## HAPPENINGS

**EDITOR'S NOTE--**Send me your club reports, preferably by email and get your club's activities noticed and recognized!

### DISTRICT I

#### **Fort Worth Coin Club (Internet Report)**

At the November meeting of the Fort Worth Coin Club, new officers were elected for 2005. They are very similar to last year. President – Ed Lasko; Vice Pres. – Jack Allen; Secretary – Olyve Abbott; Treasurer – Raymond Franco. Speaking for all the new officers, I want to thank the members for their confidence and support. We voted in three new members. A big FWCC welcome to Harold and Melody Packard (formerly of Sacramento) and Cheryl Hamilton. It's wonderful to have all of you as part of our organization. Thanks to Jim Howard for a good program on The Forgotten Native American. Raffle winners: John Post – video on Detecting Counterfeit Coins and a 1921 Morgan, presumably not counterfeit; Eddie Parish – 1937 S BU buffalo nickel; Bob Culbertson – 1887 Morgan dollar; Jack Allen – 2002 proof set; Dennis Wynn – Bicentennial set. Thanks to Bill Yates who was our auctioneer and Walter Fabisiak and Dennis Wynn who were his runners.

#### **Northeast Tarrant County Coin Club (Internet Report)**

The NorthEast Tarrant Coin Club (NETCC), in Bedford, Texas received a \$1,000 donation from long-time collector and numismatist Bill Merryman of Grand Prairie, Texas. At the December 9, 2004 NETCC meeting and Christmas Party, Mr. Merryman presented a cashier's check to Merle Owens, current Treasurer of NETCC and one of its founders, to endow The Russell Prinzinger Youth Scholarship & Education Fund. Mr. Merryman is a major supporter of the youth auctions sponsored by the Texas Numismatic Association and the Fort Worth Coin Club. J. Russell Prinzinger developed the youth auctions, and has continued to coordinate donations each year, remaining instrumental in the auction's continued success. During his participation in the youth auctions, Mr. Merryman recognized a need to provide additional support to introduce young people to the coin collecting hobby, deciding to fund this endowment. A member of NETCC, Mr. Merryman established this endowment to aide the club in its education of Young Numismatists, including providing scholarships and other education for young people in numismatics. Mr. Merryman is an avid coin collector and is nearing completion of a registry set of Eisenhower Dollars. He plans on having the #1 set of Ikes. Club Charter member and Texas Numismatic

Association District Governor J. Russell Prinzing stated that this donation came as a great surprise and that he was honored to have his name associated with this endowment. Original Trustees of the Fund would include Bill Merryman and Merle Owens, current Treasurer of NETCC and a local businessman who is active in several local coin clubs. The charter of the Fund has not yet been determined; however the emphasis will be on providing scholarships and educating young people about the coin collecting hobby. Clubs, dealers, and individuals are invited to contribute to this fund. Interested parties should contact Merle Owens. The club meets the second Thursday of each month at 7pm at MID-CITIES BIBLE CHURCH, 3224 CHEEK SPARGER RD, BEDFORD, Texas. Call Russell Prinzing for more information at 817-656-2540.

**Faithfully submitted: Jack Gilbert, Secretary**

## **DISTRICT IV**

### **Williamson County Coin Club (Internet Report)**

The Nov. 4, 2004 meeting of the Williamson County Coin Club was called to order by President Kammer with 11 members in attendance. Our short snorter was a Yugoslavian 100 Dinara note, dated 1992. We examined it for anti-counterfeiting devices. Security features included: A watermark of woman's face; Security strip; Fine engraving (but it is surface printing); Fine color gradations and a serial number printed separately. The Secretary's Report was then read and accepted. The Treasurer reported we had \$150.13 in the bank. Gerry will be handling out the door prizes for the Xmas party. The price of Silver is up from last year, so should we still do silver rounds? If so, we need authorization for the moneys. There was a proposal to allot \$50.00 for 5 1-oz "rounds" put forth, which was seconded, and passed with no opposition. Pres. Kammer going to retire, so we need a nominating committee. Roger volunteers, then he suggests Bruce. Third man Tom. Gerry has a mini-program on the new \$50 bill. He has actually seen two of 'em! So he has brought one! Splendid color! A. Coll added some flyers he got from the bank. On to Show & Tell;

Roger brought:

- A Plastic 5 Pound banknote from the UK – issued by the Northern Bank of Northern Ireland, 1999.
- Distillery warehouse stamps, 1875, 1878, and another 1878 with a different design, basically a Tax receipt or revenue stamp. American Banknote Company engraved the 1875 stamp, but 1878s were done by the BEP.
- And a \$5 educational series 1896 silver cert.

Dave brought Medals from the last show he attended:

- An odd one - with "1904 Interborough Rapid Transit" on one side, and the name of George S. Cuhaj, Iola, Wisconsin on the other. It looks like Boy Scout token, but has a zip code on the reverse so it was made at earliest in the 1960's

- A Franklin mint medal, dated 1971, of yellow bronze or red brass, commemorating Benjamin Franklin.
- And a third medal, Nickel, commemorating The Byrd Antarctic Expedition of 1928-30.

Pal brought:

- A book he found at Half-Price Books, The New York Times Guide to Coin Collecting. This one was cheap cheap!
- “Good for” tokens, from Paige, TX, issued by Chas. Kuhn, General Merchandise. Denominations were 50 cents, 10 cents and 5 cents.

The other Roger brought a “mystery” paper item: A 1 Dollar note from Trinidad and Tobago, dated January 1939

Mike Egger brought a money clip from Pontiac Automobiles made with a 1924 silver Dollar. Engraved on the clip was “Dollar For Dollar, You Can’t Beat A Pontiac”

A Collectur brought ancients of course, this time with the “Cornucopia” theme. Zeus was suckled by goat, Amalthea was her name, and from her horns flowed Honey and Ambrosia, the food of the Gods. At some point a one of her horns broke off and this horn is known as the “Horn of Plenty” or “Cornucopia”

- A coin with Jupiter riding a goat, Rome, Valerian II 256-258AD
- A coin with cornucopia on back, from Mauretania, Juba II, 25BC-23AD.
- And last, a tetradrachim from Roman Egypt, Alexandria, with the goddess Fortuna holding a ship’s rudder and a Cornucopia, 241-242AD.

Ronnie brought an article found on the internet, supposedly from an Saudi newspaper, describing the finding of a new type of ancient coin -- but article has a picture of a silly token from Puerto Rico. I suspect a hoax.

Bruce brought books:

- A reprint of William M. Gouge’s “Fiscal History of Texas”. Originally printed in 1852, this reprint dates to 1969.
- An International Coin Catalogue and Price List, by Robert Friedberg, issued by Kaufmanns, Pittsburg, PA. This particular catalogue has a section on “books about coins”. This may be one of a series of standardized catalogs with the names of local coin dealers or shops printed on them.
- W. Raymond, Standard Catalog of United States Coins, 1945, the book before the Red Book

Finally, Gerry

- He brought stuff that just floated in to the Caring Place where he works, a Somalian coin with an elephant, year 2000.
- Lastly, a golf ball with the word m\$ney and \$\$\$\$ printed on it.

Submitted by: Cynthia Mauk

## **DISTRICT V**

### **Collin County Coin Club (Internet Report)**

The January meeting of the Collin County Coin Club had 25 members in attendance. The Door prize winner was Victor Elizondo. Lotto winners were Victor Elizondo and John McWilliams. Gary Rollins conducted a 74-lot auction. Linda Reed reported on the club's finances which remain sound. A motion was made and passed to look into name badges for club members. Kim Groves will research the cost of name badges and report back at the February meeting. A motion was also made to change the auction rule to eliminate combined lots, i.e.: multiple items in a lot where the bidder can take one or all. The motion was voted on and passed. The Collin County Coin Club's semi-annual show will be held on April 2, 2005 at the Holiday Inn in McKinney. We will be looking for volunteers to help out at the door. Club members were reminded that it is still not too late to put your display in the Sherman Public Library in February. If you have any interest in displaying your numismatic items at the Sherman Public Library in February 2005, or have questions about how to create an interesting display, call John McWilliams at 580-775-1446.

### **Dallas Coin Club (Internet Report)**

President Glenn Woods called the November meeting of the Dallas Coin Club to order with 21 members present. The reading of the minutes from the last meeting was waived and they were approved as published. Vice President Stewart Huckaby reported that preliminary work had been done on the Christmas party. Jim Jeska, the ANA Rep, mentioned an upcoming Coins in the Classrooms Seminar in San Diego in December being sponsored by the ANA. Lawrence Herrera who is the District V Governor mentioned the TNA Board Meeting held November 20 in San Antonio. Secretary Hal Cherry mentioned we had received a request to nominate Will Rossman for ANA President. He advised that under the rules we could not do so as we had already sent in a nomination for Bill Horton and can only nominate one candidate. The annual election was held next and all candidates ran unopposed. The Officers are as follows: Glenn Woods, President, Stewart Huckaby, Vice President, Kathy Lawrence, Secretary; and David Swann, Treasurer. Lawrence Herrera will continue on the Board as Immediate Past President. Under new business, Hal Cherry made a motion that the club nominate Lawrence Herrera for TNA Governor, District V, in the upcoming election. The motion was seconded and approved. The nomination deadline is December 31, 2004. David Kyser announced that speaking as an individual he had asked Ginger Pike regarding her scheduling her coin show on Easter weekend when we had that weekend for 9 years. Her response was that was the only weekend during that timeframe they could schedule the Grapevine Center and she had not noticed that we had been advertising our show for that weekend. Stewart Huckaby announced that Heritage was having an auction in Dallas on December 8, 9 and 10. The scheduled speaker did not show up and Hal Cherry volunteered to extend his Show and

Tell offering to a mini-program. His title was "Numismatic Adventures in New England". Hal related his visit to American Numismatic Rarities Office in Wolfeboro, New Hampshire, his visit to the Bay State Coin Show held in Boston, and the Colonial Coin Collectors Club Meeting held in connection with that show and the New Gate Copper Mine and Prison where copper was mined by Higley who produced some tokens in 1737. He also visited the Sangus Iron Works historic site where the dies for the pine tree shillings were made. He displayed some brochures and photographs of the sites and also some elongated cents, wooden nickels, and souvenir medals he picked up. His most interesting experience was trading a guy out of about \$4.00 in foreign coins including Euros in a restroom for \$1.00. During Show and Tell, Glen Woods showed 3 Greek gold Staters from the Alexander the Great period; Ron Blaha discussed the New Orleans Mint and the reason for its establishment; David Swann showed one of these "come on" type advertisements advertising 3 rare uncalculated coins for \$4.95. He ordered them out of curiosity and they appeared to all grade about G-4. The offer included Buffalo and V nickels and an Indian head cent; Lawrence Herrera showed 2 rather rare coins he had recently acquired, a 1796 quarter and a 1916 D dime; and, Stewart Huckaby showed a 1951 D Washington/Carver dollar which is a scarce mintage, but available at a reasonable price as they are lightly collected. In the voting for Program of the Year, Glenn Woods won for his July program on cleaning ancient coins. Door prizes were won by Gary Dobbins, Mike Cordell, Jim Jeska, Glenn Woods, and Judy Dobbins. Raffle winners were John Post, Mike Grant, Ron Blaha, and, of course, Stewart Huckaby and Mark Gee. Glenn Woods called the auction and 30 items were sold for a total of \$441.25.

**Submitted by Hal Cherry, Secretary**

## **DISTRICT VI**

### **Bellaire Coin Club, (Internet Report)**

There were 24 member and guests at the November 1, meeting of the Bellaire Coin Club. Jim Bevill and Tim Conway discussed the Christmas party. Tim Conway noted that on October 4, Ed Stevens made a motion for YOUR Club, to donate \$1000.00 to the City of Bellaire Parks and Recreation Department. The motion carried. More details will be discussed at a future meeting. Ed Stephens stated information about the Fort Worth and Grapevine shows. Jerry Clemons and Ed Stephens reminded everyone of the upcoming Pasadena Coin Show. Ed Stephens noted that the restaurant in the hotel had a very excellent menu selection. Tim Conway noted that the November 8 issue of Coin World has an article about porcelain coins. Tim stated that the club knows someone that will enjoy that article. Jim Bevill, Tom Cooper, and Brian Holland wondered about members that missed recent meetings. Those members are Bob Bing, Al Perry and Thaddeus Samorajski. Tim Conway will get in contact with these members and others, about missing meetings. Jerry Clemons presented the program about United States Bust Coinage. After the program and before the auction, Tim Conway noted how easy it to

create a program. One or more numismatic items, with a short description of each item. This is similar to our show and tells.

There were 29 member and guests at the November 15<sup>th</sup> meeting. Jim Bevill presented more details about the clubs Christmas party. Carl Schwenker reminded the club about the Money Show Of The Southwest, having exhibits with prizes. Carl asked if the club knew anybody with a first aid response team, similar to personal working at fire stations or hospitals. Jerry Clemons reminded everyone of the upcoming Pasadena Coin Show. Tim Conway noted that his home computer is getting a new upgrade, from "not working" to "working." Tim Conway noted that the Cherrypicker's guide would be ready in January. Brian Holland presented the mini-program about 1793 dated coins. The items that he borrowed cost over thousand dollars. The secondary program for the night was show and tell. The following members presented a short program, Tim Conway, Brian Holland, and John Trout. John Trout won the show and tell prize.

There were 37 members and guests at the December 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. Vice President Tom Cooper called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Jim Bevill announced his candidacy for the 1st Vice President of the Texas Numismatic Association. We all know Jim, and know that he would be fantastic in that office. Jim's election will leave the position of Texas Numismatic Association District 6 Governor vacant. The Bellaire Coin Club nominated our club Secretary Ed Stephens to be a candidate for the Texas Numismatic Association District 6 position. Again we know Ed will do a great job as Governor. Both men need our support! If you are not a Texas Numismatic Association member, you should be. Join and vote for our guys! The program for tonight was "Numismatic Show and Tell". Our late arriving President, Tim Conway won the Show and tell drawing.

The Bellaire Coin Club Christmas Party was at The Cadillac Bar & Grill on December 12th. There were about 50 members and guests in attendance. The food and drink was great. We had group sing along, the quality of that is debatable. There was a combination drawing and Question and Answer for door prizes. All the questions were answered correctly, some with "lifelines" from the audience. In short, a great time was had by all.

**Submitted by: Michael Wolford--Bellaire Newsletter Editor**

### **Greater Houston Coin Club, (Club Newsletter)**

Richard Laster called the November meeting of the Greater Houston Coin Club to order at 7:00 p.m. There were 36 members and three guests in attendance. The guests were Tony Delong, Michael Villalva, and Connie Will. The evenings' educational program was devoted to Veterans Day. Sebastian Frommhold, a career chemist, kicked off the program by providing a humorous recollection of operating a "chemical car wash" and of wearing green camouflage in Desert Storm. He followed his recollections with a solicitation for other club members to share their military experiences. The following are excerpts from the speakers:

- Barney Loebe recounted moving obstacles from the Normandy Beaches in the days before D-Day. Barney is a Purple Heart recipient.

- Bill Watson humorously recalled his experiences as a Marine, specifically speaking of completing the same job again, and again, and again..... Clearly, the military has perfected the art of repetition
  - Mike Grecnspon spoke of not being happy as a student in engineering school working at Bell Labs and deciding to join the military. He passed around the actual recruiting picture that led him to join the Air Force. Coincidentally, he later flew the exact B-58 plane that was featured in the recruiting picture.
  - Jerry Myers recalled graduating as an LSU civil engineer in 1965 and being drafted in the Army in 1970. Gerald humorously recalled a military career of contradictions. He initially wanted to be a Base Engineer, so the Army made him an MP. As an MP, he wanted to wear white gloves and direct traffic, so the Army sent him to a nuclear facility to walk patrol dogs in cold weather. His next stint was that of a dog trainer. When Mike was told that the Army had too many servicemen and that he needed to either reenlist or leave, he said his decision to leave was an easy one.
  - Charles Tompkins mentioned his grandfather's medals received for heroism on the Normandy Beaches. Charles' family has a long military history, and he expressed regret that he had not brought his great great grandfather's discharge papers from the Civil War for everyone to see. Maybe he will bring these interesting historical documents to a future meeting.
  - Danny Woodard mentioned that his uncle will be leaving for Iraq soon.
- To wrap up the educational program, Sebastian gave a tongue-in-cheek talk on the evolution of rations in the U.S. military. From C rations, to K rations, to the more contemporary MRE's, in Sebastian's humble opinion, the best idea for these quick meals was the provision to include Tabasco sauce to mask the flavor. He fondly recalled the nicknames for the MRE's which he ate during Desert Storm. Instead of Meal Ready to Eat, some other names coined by the consumers were Meal Refused by Ethiopians or Meals Refusing to Exit. In closing, Sebastian thanked all contributors to the program and lamented that the job of removing Saddam Hussein from power was not completed during Desert Storm. He expressed hope and encouragement for our military forces and wished for safe and quick returns for all the individuals currently serving in the Middle East.
- For November Show and Tell, members were requested to bring examples of other collecting interests other than coins. Sebastian kicked things off by sharing his Steiff Teddy bear collection. As many have heard, the "Teddy bear" was born when reporters printed the story of Teddy Roosevelt refusing to shoot a bear cub on a hunting expedition. Sebastian spoke of Teddy bear grading and was happy to report that there are only a handful of grades and that no grading service has started encapsulating Teddy bears. His oldest bear dates back to the late 1920's. The following are excerpts from other contributors:
- Richard Laster shared some examples from this Texas governor's autograph collection. He possesses all but three, one of the missing

being the current governor Rick Perry.

- Barney Loebe showed some examples from his automobile picture collection.
- John Barber showed pictures of some of the cars from his automobile collection including a picture of the very first car he obtained as a teenager. That car is a 1932 Ford 3 window coupe made famous as the "Deuce Coupe."
- Eve Barber shared that there is not much discretionary money left in the Barber budget with John collecting coins, cars, and trains, so she collects a particular brand of glassware produced in Franklin, Oklahoma. She can normally find pieces at reasonable prices.
- Danny Woodard brought a GI Joe figurine which he has never removed from its original box and a bottle which he purchased that contained the original Dr. Pepper formula.
- Claude Mathes brought an approximately 30-year old Matchbox car in its original box of issue and a knife from his Gulf Oil memorabilia collection.
- Michael Wolford brought transit system maps and timetables from cities around the country. He was also able to acquire a few transportation tokens in the auction following the meeting.
- In one of the most entertaining presentations, Tom Cooper displayed examples from his advertising sign and beer stein collections.
- Mike Prestridge concluded Show and Tell by presenting two name tags on neck chains, one for a free black and one for a slave. He wasn't sure if either was authentic, but similar tags were used prior to the Civil War.

Carl Schwenker reported that most details for <sup>The</sup>Money Show of the Southwest have been finalized and it is time for all club members to start promoting the show. Carl revealed an aggressive public advertising campaign that will include billboards strategically located throughout the Greater Houston area as well as radio and TV spots. He also announced that there will prizes awarded to the best youth and adult educational exhibits at the show. Each prize will include a plaque and a \$100 gift certificate that can be redeemed at dealer tables during the show. Contact Richard Laster if you would like to enter an exhibit. As the Money Show grows both in size and stature, its need for volunteer help increases. PLEASE consider volunteering your time from Wednesday (January 27<sup>th</sup>) to Sunday (January 30<sup>th</sup>). The Money Show is the GHCC's only fund raising event and it finances all of our community-oriented activities as well as covers a substantial amount of the administrative costs of running the club. The Coin of the Month drawing was won by Tom Bermel. Tom chose the Barber dime for December's coin. Bring your Barber dimes to the December meeting if you would like to be included in the lottery drawing. You get one ticket per coin contributed, and the winner takes home all coins contributed and names the coin for the following month. Door prize winners were selected by random drawing and the winners were Pat Schwenker and Jerry Myers. Pat also won a prize for correctly guessing John Barber's age. The Show and Tell presenter prize selected by random drawing was awarded to Michael

Wolford and the member only door prize of \$5 was unclaimed, so next month's member only door prize will be \$10. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:15 p.m. and was followed by the normal numismatic auction. Alvin Stern served as auctioneer with assistance from Danny Stafford and Kenneth Benson.

Richard Laster called the December meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. There were 43 members and four guests in attendance. The guests were Judy Deats, Terry Meyers, Linda Barto, and Ricardo De Leon. Prior to the start of the meeting, club members and guests feasted on a dinner from South of the Border and prepared a few thousand postcards as advertisements for the Money Show. Sebastian Frommhold kicked off a brief Show and Tell session by showing off a transition of Spanish coin designs circa 1808. Jean Pavlovic told a short story of how she acquired a 1914 \$10 gold piece in a bezel and then passed it around for inspection. Ricardo De Leon, one of the visitors, concluded the session by distributing a Bank of Texas note, some Mexican error coins, and an unusual currency error in which the date 1941 was mistakenly printed as 1491! Sebastian then introduced the night's speaker, John Herbert, who presented the program "Somebody called Great" that gave historical facts and tidbits on Herod and the times. Carl Schwenker reported on the status of the Money Show. Following Carl's report, Jack Pavlovic presented an award to Carl in appreciation for his support of all of the local coin clubs. Alvin Stern then conducted a numismatic quiz to celebrate the close of another year. Four club members correctly answered then ten questions prepared by Alvin. Door prize winners were Jack Pavlovic and Kenneth Benson. The Members Only drawing was won by Margaret Townsend. Following the close of the club meeting, the auction was conducted by Alvin with Danny Stafford and Sebastian acting as runners. Danny was the winner of the auction drawing.

## **DISTRICT VII**

### **Alamo Coin Club, (Club Newsletter)**

There were 41 in attendance, at the November 11th meeting of the Alamo Coin Club. Roundtable: President Will R. started with a 1919 Canadian quarter. Don K. had 1971 Mexico One Peso. Fernando R. had a 1936 Texas Centennial Souvenir Token. The roundtable was won Larry A. The Treasurers report was read and accepted. The program was presented by Fernando R. who presented a comprehensive history of the Mexican Revolution. After a raffle, the auction had 4 items of the 32 offered successfully selling.

The club's Christmas party took the place of the December 9<sup>th</sup> regular meeting. 33 people attended the gala. After a short business meeting, a Dirty Santa game was played which had many numismatic items as presents including Morgan Dollars, silver rounds and eagles and chocolate coins. A game of numismatic trivia closed the party.

## **Gateway Coin Club (Club Newsletter)**

The November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Gateway Coin Club opened with 31 members and 5 visitors present. The paid-up member attendance prize, a 2004 Silver Eagle coin, was given to Karla Galindo. The roundtable was quite interesting and was led by Ron Gale. He brought several reprocessed 1943 steel cents. Jerry Varnon brought a new Texas quarter and a used and defaced die. Karla Galindo had an old and rare San Antonio Fox Photo Aluminum token. Other items shown were ancient coins, some coins from Mexico and some interesting non-numismatic items. The meeting concluded with a spirited auction conducted by David Astwood.

The November 18 meeting had 27 members and 2 guests present. After the club roundtable, the educational program was presented by Peter Smith. He presented "*PBS Military Coins*." He also showed a number of military medals and some of his favorite designs. A mini-auction closed the meeting.

The December 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting opened with 27 members and 1 visitor in attendance. The attendance prize, a Maria Theresa taler was given to Barbara DeViney. The evening's roundtable had many interesting numismatic items shown including a new \$50 U.S. note, some foreign coins, tokens and a new Mexican 100 peso piece. The meeting ended with a mini-auction conducted by Bobby Rogers.

The December 16th meeting was the club's Christmas Party and had 27 members and 4 guests present. The paid-up member attendance prize, a 1987 one-ounce Silver Eagle, was given to Stan McManigal. After opening in a prayer, the members and guests feasted on a dinner of turkey and dressing and a lot of trimmings and desserts.

## **DISTRICT VIII**

### **Corpus Christi Coin Club (Internet Report)**

At the November 16th meeting of the Corpus Christi Coin Club, Don Bryan's passing was discussed and it was decided that donations should be sent to the South Texas Children's Home in Beeville instead of flowers. Reports were given about the San Antonio Alamo coin show and T.N.A. board meeting. David announced he was running for 1st VP of T.N.A. and Governor of District VIII; the club gave him their endorsement and full support. The treasury report was passed around to members and approved. (Note: David has withdrawn from running for 1st VP but will serve as Governor if elected.) The program was a round table on grading coins and toning, also about recent past and future Victoria and Beeville coin shows and the South Texas Coin Club meetings.

The Corpus Christi Coin Club met on December 21st 2004 at the Bayou Grill for our 52nd annual Christmas party. All enjoyed a delicious meal after which numismatic gifts were exchanged and door prizes were given out. The prizes consisted of three of the .999 silver medals that the club produced to commemorate the ships of Christopher Columbus. There are still several of the beautiful limited edition medals for sale if anyone is interested in owning one of them. Among topics for discussion was the need for a new

meeting place for the club. We should have one before the next meeting which is on January 18th 2005. The club will continue to meet every third Tuesday each month in the New Year. Other topics discussed were the upcoming shows in Houston, Beeville, and Victoria. Due to the passing of our secretary Don Bryan, Martha Kerr-Burke volunteered to fill the position. Also there was some discussion about the T.N.A. convention in May and the people running for the state offices this upcoming year as well as discussion about the state quarters and new nickels coming out in 2005. The membership kicked around the possibility of putting on a coin show in 2005 locally and ways to increase membership, the major road block to a local show is rent for a show location of \$1200.00 or more per day minimum and with other expense like security running over \$45 per hour it is just not economically feasible for now. A future possibility for a show could be one of the surrounding towns like Kingsville or Portland where expense would be astronomically less.

**Respectively Submitted--Martha S. Kerr-Burke (Secretary)**

## **DISTRICT XI**

### **Golden Spread Coin Club (Club Newsletter)**

The Golden Spread Coin Club met on November 8. Meeting called to order by Ted. We had 18 members & 2 junior members present. The minutes & treasures reports were approved. Motion made & passed to give \$75.00 to each of the following charities: Meals on Wheels, Salvation Army, and the empty stocking fund. Motion made & passed to give \$110.00 to the church where we meet. The election of officers for next year was as follows: Ted, President; Diane, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President; David 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President; Janice, Secretary; Rick, Treasure; Doug, Bill, Tommy & Paula officers at large. Doug will continue to be the TNA Governor. All of these officers were elected by acclamation. Motion made & passed to make Ted a life member effective January 1, 2005. The annual Christmas dinner will be held on December 6 at Dyers bar-b-que. The club will pay for the meal for members only. Everyone please bring a gift or 2. Nela will bring the bingo game. Some of the coins brought for show & tell were: Tommy brought a helium monument metal. Marie brought a ring that was over 2000 years old. Charles brought a George Washington 125 year anniversary metal from 1903. This metal was still in the original box! It was in VERY good condition. Doug brought a Stone Mountain half dollar that he had found in a roll of halves. The half turned out to be counterfeit! A drawing was held for an 1889 Morgan dollar and 2 silver eagles.

The Golden Spread Coin Club met at Dyer's Bar -B - Que for their Christmas dinner in December. We had several members there. A good time was had by all. Everyone won a prize.

The Golden Spread Coin Club met for our January meeting on January 3, 2005. We had 10 members present for the business meeting. We had 3 guest 12 members for the regular meeting. David Cass opened the meeting. The minutes were approved except for minor spelling errors and these

additions. David is first Vice President. Diane is 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice president. Paula is past president board member at large. March 20 is the clubs 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Discussion followed about what to do for that. Neal suggested we have an open house with punch & cookies at the church. We could rent a separate room at the coin show in August. We could have punch & cookies at that. Someone else suggested we could have a meal catered with beer available. Marie said we could have it at her church. We could also have beer, wine & cheese. David appointed the following members to a committee to plan the party Tommy, Marie, Neal, Paula & Ted. Motion made & seconded that we have a tentative budget for this party/celebration of \$1000.00. Marie gave a great program on ancient coins. She brought several examples of coins over 2000 years old. For show & tell Tommy had an original copy of minutes from a meeting in 1970. Doug brought a shield nickel. Charles had 6 TNA medals. Nela had some medals with angels on them. Diane had some stamps. CC Stewart, Bill Vinson, Mike Nowak & Janice Cass were drawn for the silver eagle. They were not in attendance. Marie Hughes & Nela Runkle were the winners. Dave Clugy was drawn for the \$30.00 gift certificate. It will be \$35.00 next meeting.

## **DISTRICT XIII**

*Editors note*--Due to Ray's health, no report from district 13 could be submitted. Please join me in wishing Ray a speedy recovery and Mary Jane the strength to nurse him back to health. Also please remember both in your prayers.

## **DISTRICT XV**

### **Greater Port Arthur Coin Club (Internet Report)**

There were 11 members and 3 visitors that attended the November meeting of Greater Port Arthur Coin Club. We appreciate the airport allowing us to use their meeting room. Tracie Updike reported that we are still set up to have our Christmas Banquet at the Schooner Restaurant on December 2. Tracie got a head count at it looks like we should have a good turnout. Also, Barbara presented our club with our share of the proceeds from the September coin show. Ray Gannaway and the Nominating Committee presented the names of our 2005 officers. The new officers for the upcoming year will be: Carol Broussard – President, Carlton Simmons – Vice President, Tracie Updike – Secretary, and Morgan Alleman – Treasurer. Paul Brown made the motion to accept the new officers. Barbara Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried. The swearing in of our new officers along with the awards presentation will be done during our January meeting. The club decided to have a drawing for 1 free membership at our Christmas Banquet and another free membership will be drawn at our January meeting. The Program of the Month was given by Lynn Broussard on the Lincoln Cent. There were 18 Lots sold in our Auction which closed the meeting.

There were a total of 20 members and guests at our annual Christmas Banquet at the Schooner. The food was fantastic and everyone seemed to have a great time. Carol Broussard, our President, gave each present member a very nice Christmas card with a new Wisconsin State Quarter. Thank you Carol, from all the membership, for a great job you've done! We look forward to another year of success. The swearing in of our new officers for 2005, along with the awards presentations will be done during our January meeting. The new officers for the upcoming year will be: Carol Broussard – President; Carlton Simmons – Vice President; Tracie Updike – Secretary; Morgan Alleman – Treasurer. Joe Scott suggested that we consider donating some of our money toward scholarships. The motion was tabled, pending further discussion, until our next meeting. A drawing was held for 1 free membership. Pearl Pool was the lucky recipient. Another drawing for a free membership will be held at our January meeting. There was no program of the month because we spent all of our time eating and socializing. Since no one volunteered to present next month's program, yours truly will present a program on "Nickel, A Not-So-Common Element". If you would like to give a program on a numismatic subject or a collectible, please contact Carlton Simmons, our Club's new Vice President, to schedule your program.

### **Silsbee Coin Club (Internet Report)**

President Paula Simmons called the October meeting of the Silsbee Coin Club to order. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by Emery Ledoux. Seventeen members were in attendance. Minutes for the September 27, 2004 meeting were approved as presented. Treasurer's report was approved as presented by Jack Provost. Nominating Committee will present a slate of officers for the year 2005 at the November meeting for the Club to vote on. Silsbee Coin Club invited to join with the Beaumont Club for a Christmas party at the Red Lobster Restaurant in Beaumont on December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Silsbee Club voted unanimously to accept their invitation. The evening's educational program was presented by Dr. Dale Cummings presented a very interesting program about the U.S. Silver Dollar. President Paula Simmons called the November meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by Michael Simmons. While we were happy to have a good number of members in attendance, we were saddened by the absence of our good friend and fellow club member, Jack Provost, who passed away on Friday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. He will be missed by all who knew him. Minutes for the October 25, 2004 meeting were approved as presented. Paula Simmons moved to postpone election of officers for 2005 until January meeting. Stan Dominick seconds the motion, and the motion carried. Stan Dominick moved to double our door prizes at the December Christmas party. Emery Ledoux seconds the motion, and motion carried. Emery Ledoux moved we donate \$100.00 to St. John's Episcopal Church in appreciation for allowing our club to use their meeting room. James Fowler seconds the motion, and motion carried. The program for the night was presented by Walt Lee who read a list of "Did You Knows." An

auction conducted by Emery Ledoux and tallied by James Fowler closed the meeting.

The Silsbee Coin Club and the Beaumont Coin Club met jointly for our annual Christmas dinner party at the Red Lobster Restaurant in Beaumont. Both clubs were represented by a large number of members and several visitors. This being our Club's annual Christmas dinner, there was no business conducted. Double door prizes were given as was voted on at the November 29, 2004 meeting.

**Respectfully submitted by Betty Fowler.**

## **TNA'S SPEAKERS BUREAU**

The TNA Board is interested in organizing a Speakers Bureau and is asking for participation from the TNA membership. Many TNA members are accustomed to giving educational programs at their local coin clubs and there are also some slide programs available from both the TNA and ANA libraries. The objective is to spread the word about and develop interest in numismatics. Members would be asked to present a program to various organizations in their area such as schools, civic clubs, Scout groups, or any other interested organizations. Many groups and organizations are always looking for a speaker or program for their weekly or monthly meetings. If a sufficient number of TNA members are interested, then a list of organizations will be developed and contacted regarding the availability of the TNA Speakers Bureau. If you are interested in participating in this proposed Speakers Bureau, please contact the Committee Chairman, Hal Cherry at P.O. Box 852165, Richardson, Tx 75085-2165, phone – 972/234-6996, e-mail – [halcherry@msn.com](mailto:halcherry@msn.com).

## CLUB/PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY

### GATEWAY COIN CLUB, INC. Of San Antonio, TX

Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 7:00PM at  
Denny's Restaurant. 9550 IH 10 W.  
(near Wurzbach exit)  
Dinner at 6:00PM. Optional  
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For info: (210) 271-3429  
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281-586-9727**

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Meeting on the third Thursday of each month at  
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If you are interested in coins, tokens, medals or  
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Mid-Cities Bible Church  
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3224 Check Sparger Rd.  
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Door prizes, monthly programs, auctions/raffles

For info call Russell Prinzing  
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### WICHITA FALLS COIN and STAMP CLUB

1503 Beverly Drive, Wichita Falls, TX 76309  
Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at  
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5100 Kell West, Wichita Falls.  
Visitors are welcome—bring a friend.

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The club hosts the Annual Wichita Falls Coin  
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For info call. (940)592-4480 after 5PM.

### CORPUS CHRISTI COIN CLUB TNA chapter #1 founded in 1952

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### *International Coin Club of El Paso, Texas, ANA, TNA*

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